lower courts were interfered with. The increased pendency at the end of the year over that of the previous year is explained by the facts that 24 of the pending appeals were filed from the middle of March to the end of June 1932, that time was taken in obtaining the records in some of the cases from the lower courts and that the intervention of the summer vacation also led to delay in the disposal of the appeals. It is, however, satisfactory to note that many of these cases have since been disposed of and the number pending on 1st October 1932 was only 13, including those pending out of the appeals filed since 1st July 1932. The average duration of the appeals disposed of rose from 149·2 to 155·57 days.

Inspections.—Nine courts were inspected by the Judges of the High Court and the District Magistrates inspected all the Magistrates Courts exercising original jurisdiction in their districts.

General.—Circular instructions were issued by the High Court in regard to the relative powers and functions of the Magistracy and the Police in ordering investigations under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Government are glad to note that the Administration of Criminal Justice during the year was satisfactory.

N. MADHAVA RAO,
Chief Secretary to Government.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

Commission to Mr. N. Venkatachalaiya.

READ—

Letter No. C. 1013—32-33, dated 11th January 1933, from the Revenue Commissioner, recommending sanction to the grant of powers under clause (*b*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) of Section 99, Land Revenue Code, to Mr. N. Venkatachalaiya, Jodidar of Ittasandra and Geddalahallipura villages, Hoskote Taluk, in respect of both the villages.

ORDER No. R. 3726-27—L. R. 260-32-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 23RD—24TH JANUARY 1933.

Government are pleased to sanction the recommendation of the Revenue Commissioner and to issue the accompanying Commission to the Inamdar.

S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

ANNEXURE.

COMMISSION GRANTED UNDER SECTION 99 OF THE LAND REVENUE CODE, REGULATION IV OF 1888.

To

MR. N. VENKATACHALAIYA,
Jodidar.

By virtue of the powers vested in them by the Land Revenue Code, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to confer on you, Mr. N. Venkatachalaiya, Jodidar, the following powers specified in clauses (*b*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) of Section 99 of the Mysore Land Revenue Code, to be exercised within the limits of the Inam Villages of Ittasandra and Geddalahallipura in the Hoskote Taluk:—

(*b*) To attach the property of persons making default in the payment of Land Revenue or rent due to you in the said villages.

(*d*) To exercise the powers of a Deputy Commissioner under Sections 63 and 64.

(*e*) To receive notices of relinquishment under Section 71 and to determine the date up to which such notices shall be received as in that Section provided, and

(*f*) To take measures for the maintenance and repair of boundary marks in the manner provided for Survey Officers in Section 130.

II. The above mentioned powers delegated to you are vested in you during the pleasure of and subject to recall, by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

By Order,
S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Working of the Treasuries during 1931-32.

READ—

Letter No. A 7-32-33, dated 8th November 1932, from the Revenue Commissioner, forwarding with his remarks the Report of the Comptroller (letter No. 117—TAD. B. II, dated 20th September 1932) on the working of the Treasuries in the State during the year 1931-32.

ORDER No. R. 3670-79—R. M. 23-32-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 18—20TH JANUARY 1933.

Weekly and Monthly Accounts.—The Comptroller reports that monthly accounts were generally received on the due dates from the State Huzur Treasury and the District Treasuries at Kolar, Kadur and Hassan, and the period of delay in their receipt from other Districts ranged in most cases from one to three days and occasionally from four to five days. Similarly weekly and monthly cash balance reports were delayed in many cases on account of late receipt of returns from Taluk Treasuries. Such delays should be avoided.

Annual Returns.—As in previous years there was considerable delay in the submission by treasuries of their annual returns to the Comptroller. It is unsatisfactory that in some districts several returns due by the middle and about the end of July 1932 were not received in the Audit Office even in September 1932. The attention of the Treasury Officers concerned should be drawn to the need for prompt submission of these returns.

Classification of Receipts and Payments.—The total number of misclassifications was 107, the State Huzur Treasury being responsible for a sixth of the total number. The number of retrenchment slips issued to treasuries was 1,022 as against 1,152 in the previous year.

Irregularities in Payments.—Individual cases of excess payments have been reported from the Taluk Treasuries at Seringapatam, Nanjangud, Mandya, Koppa and Jagalur. As in previous years cases of double payments, payments without proper or sufficient authority, payments on defective documents, payments in disregard of specific instructions, etc., have been reported from some treasuries. The Revenue Commissioner considers that a periodical issue of a list of mistakes detected every quarter will be helpful in avoiding such mistakes. His attention is drawn to para 2 of Government Order No. R. 4512-21—R. M. 30-30-2, dated 11th February 1931 explaining why it is unnecessary to prescribe any such periodical "statement of treasury mistakes" by the Comptroller for the guidance of Treasury Officers.

Inspections.—All the Taluk Treasuries in the State are reported to have been inspected by the respective District Treasury Officers. All the District Treasuries were inspected by the Deputy Commissioners concerned during the year and it is satisfactory that they inspected a large number of Taluk Treasuries also. Officers of the Accounts Department are reported to have inspected four District and three Taluk Treasuries. No serious irregularities are reported to have been noticed.

Disposal of Treasury Inspection Reports.—It is unsatisfactory that four reports relating to 1929-30 and two reports relating to 1931-32 have not been returned by the Revenue Commissioner to the Comptroller's Office with replies. Government trust that these will be expedited.

Miscellaneous.—In their Order No. Fl. 3695-704—G. F. 203-29-4, dated 16—17th October 1930, Government sanctioned a scheme for the interchange of accountants between the Comptroller's Office and the District Treasuries with a view to improve the quality of work in District Treasuries. No transfer seems to have been effected so far in accordance with this scheme. The Revenue Commissioner is requested to give it a trial in some cases in consultation with the Comptroller.

The working of the Treasuries was on the whole satisfactory during the year.

S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

Mysore Petroleum Rules.

READ—

Government Notification No. I. & C. 5415—Geol. 103-22-14, dated 13th March 1924, sanctioning rules for the importation, possession and transport of petroleum in the State of Mysore.

2. Government Notification No. I. & C. 5497—Geol. 82-25-3, dated 5th February 1926, authorising the Director of Industries and Commerce to renew existing licenses sanctioned by Government for the importation, possession and transport of dangerous petroleum throughout the State provided there is no change in any of the conditions as mentioned in the original license.

3. Government Order No. I. & C. 2128-36—Geol. 29-26-3, dated 28th September 1926, empowering the Director of Industries and Commerce to issue special licenses in form "Q" for the possession of dangerous petroleum in cases where the capacity of the storage tank does not exceed 500 gallons.

4. Unofficial Note No. 41 of 1931-32, dated 22nd June 1932, from the Director of Industries and Commerce, suggesting for the consideration of Government that he may be empowered to issue licenses on his own authority for the storage and transport of dangerous petroleum in quantities exceeding 40 gallons but not exceeding 2,500 gallons.

ORDER No. D. 3426-38—Geol. 46-31-9, DATED BANGALORE, THE 20TH JANUARY 1933.

The Director's recommendation is sanctioned. The amended rules under rules 1 and 2 of chapter III in part II of the Mysore Petroleum Rules are approved and appended to this order.

A Notification will be issued separately.

The Director of Industries and Commerce is requested to furnish the District Magistrates, the Municipal Commissioner, Bangalore City, the President of the Municipality, Mysore City, and the Vice-President of the Sanitary Board, Kolar Gold Field, the particulars of licenses issued by him and the Government as and when they are issued.

The District Magistrates and the Presidents of Municipalities are requested to send to the Director of Industries and Commerce reports *re* licenses issued by them once every half-year.

S. ABDUL WAJID,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

APPENDIX.

1. Applications for licenses for the possession or transport of petroleum shall be made to the authority which can issue licenses under the rule next following.

2. (i) Licenses :—

(*a*) for the possession of non-dangerous petroleum, not being petroleum in bulk ;

(*b*) for the possession of non-dangerous petroleum in a minor installation ;

(*c*) for the possession or transport of dangerous petroleum in quantities not exceeding 40 gallons ; and

(*d*) for the transport of petroleum, not being dangerous petroleum, otherwise than by a pipe line will be granted by District Magistrates concerned, except licenses required in Cities of Bangalore and Mysore and in the Kolar Gold Fields, to which rule (ii) shall apply.

(ii) The licenses referred to in (i) above will be issued in the case of the Bangalore City by the Commissioner of the Municipality, of the Mysore City by the President of the Municipality, and of the Kolar Gold Fields by the Vice-President of the Sanitary Board.

(iii) Licenses for the storage and transport of dangerous petroleum in quantities exceeding 40 gallons but not exceeding 2,500 gallons will be granted by the Director of Industries and Commerce.

(iv) In all other cases, the licensing authority will be Government.